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The Honorable Daniel K. Inouye Chairman Senate Appropriations Committee S-131, U.S. Capitol Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Byron L. Dorgan Chairman Appropriations Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development Senate Dirksen Office Building, Room 186 The Honorable Thad Cochran Vice Chairman Senate Appropriations Committee S-131, U.S. Capitol Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Robert F. Bennett Ranking Member Appropriations Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development Senate Dirksen Office Building, Room 186 Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Inouye, Vice Chairman Cochran, Chairman Dorgan, and Ranking Member Bennett:

As the Committee begins its consideration of the Fiscal Year 2011 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Bill, I am writing to inform you of the following additional projects important to Alaskans:

Build the USDA Forest Service – Thorne Bay Ranger District Central Biomass

Boiler

Washington, DC 20510

Recipient: City of Thorne Bay Location: Thorne Bay, AK Amount Requested: \$1,500,000

Corps of Engineers Sitka Harbor Breakwater Upgrade

Recipient: City and Borough of Sitka

Location: Sitka, AK

Amount Requested: \$20,000,000

Complete feasibility analysis, Homer East Boat Harbor

Recipient: City of Homer Location: Homer, AK

Amount Requested: \$400,000

Complete feasibility analysis for Kachemak Bay tidal power facility

Recipient: City of Homer Location: Homer, AK

Amount Requested: \$550,000

Complete Harbor Breakwater Feasibility Study

Recipient: City of Cordova Location: Cordova, AK

Amount Requested: \$500,000

Complete harbor dredging, St. George

Recipient: Aleutian Pribilof Island Community Development Assoc.

Location: St. George Island, AK Amount Requested: \$5,000,000

Conduct Reconnaissance Study of Kuskokwim River Navigation

Recipient: City of Bethel Location: Bethel, AK

Amount Requested: \$100,000

Construct Prince of Wales Biofuels biomass wood energy facility in Thorne Bay

and purchase biomass dryer Recipient: City of Thorne Bay

Location: Thorne Bay, AK

Amount Requested: \$1,500,000

Construct Whitman Hydroelectric Project

Recipient: City of Ketchikan Location: Ketchikan, AK

Amount Requested: \$10,000,000

Copper River Basin 2D Seismic

Recipient: Ahtna Incorporated Location: Copper River Basin, AK

Amount Requested: \$6,142,050

Corps of Engineers feasibility study for improvements to Atka Boat Harbor

Recipient: Aleutian Pribilof Island Community Development Assoc.

Location: Atka, AK

Amount Requested: \$500,000

Dredging of Bethel Small Boat Harbor and Channel Approach

Recipient: City of Bethel

Location: Bethel, AK

Amount Requested: \$3,000,000

Energy Efficient Trail Lighting in Anchorage

Recipient: Anchorage Park Foundation

Location: Anchorage, AK

Amount Requested: \$3,000,000

Evaluate Community compliance with Ultra Low Sulfur Diesel fuel mandate

Recipient: Northwest Arctic Borough Location: Northwest Arctic Borough

Amount Requested: \$150,000

Hoonah Marine Industrial Center, Phase 3

Recipient: City of Hoonah Location: Hoonah, AK

Amount Requested: \$2,760,000

Hydroelectric Generation Facility at Crooked Creek/Jim's Lake/ Roy's Creek

Recipient: Community of Elfin Cove Non-Profit Corporation

Location: Elfin Cove

Hydroelectric Power and Road Access to Pelican, Alaska

Recipient: City of Hoonah Location: Hoonah, AK

Amount Requested: \$1,000,000

Implement Akutan Geothermal Development Project

Recipient: City of Akutan Location: Akutan, AK

Amount Requested: \$5,000,000

Implement Northwest Alaska Energy Efficiency and Weatherization Initiatives

Recipient: NANA Development Corporation

Location: Various rural locations, AK

Amount Requested: \$2,000,000

Improving Sustainability through Integrating Applied Research and Outreach

Recipient: Cold Climate Housing Research Center

Location: Statewide, AK

Amount Requested: \$200,400

Install Remote Meteorological Stations Near Alaskan Glaciers

Recipient: Alaska Glacier Institute, Inc.

Location: Girdwood, AK Amount Requested: \$300,000

Installation of Water Sewer and Road Improvements at Centennial Park

Recipient: City of Soldatna Location: Soldatna, AK

Amount Requested: \$1,390,000

Intermodal Expansion Project - Construction Dredging

Recipient: Municipality of Anchorage

Location: Anchorage, AK

Amount Requested: \$3,300,000

IPEC Hoonah Hydro

Recipient: Inside Passage Electric Cooperative

Location: Hoonah, AK

Amount Requested: \$7,225,000

Kenai River Bluff Erosion Stabilization

Recipient: City of Kenai Location: Kenai, AK

Amount Requested: \$6,500,000

Market Study for New Electrical Energy Training Center

Recipient: Alaska Joint Electrical Apprenticeship & Training Center

Location: South Central Alaska Amount Requested: \$85,000

Navigation Improvements Project Cap for Construction Expenses

Recipient: City of Nome

Location: Nome

Amount Requested: \$518,000

Nushagak Area Hydropower Project Recipient: Nushagak Cooperative

Location: Dillingham, AK

Amount Requested: \$5,000,000

NW Arctic Water & Sewer Alternative Energy Project

Recipient: Northwest Arctic Borough Location: Northwest Arctic Borough Amount Requested: \$1,200,000 Old Harbor Alaska Harbor Rebuilding and Dredging Project

Recipient: City of Old Harbor Location: Old Harbor, AK Amount Requested: \$300,000

Phase 1 – Emergency Bank Stabilization

Recipient: City of Dillingham

Location: Dillingham

Amount Requested: \$18,530,000

Raw Water Transmission Line Replacement

Recipient: City of Hoonah Location: Hoonah, AK

Amount Requested: \$4,283,650

Reconstruct Well House B Recipient: City of Soldatna Location: Soldatna, AK

Amount Requested: \$990,000

Regional manufacturing and testing facility

Recipient: Association of Village Council Presidents

Location: Bethel, AK

Amount Requested: \$1,500,000

Restoration of Black Lake Aquatic Ecosystem

Recipient: Chignik Regional Aquaculture Association

Location: Chignik, AK

Amount Requested: \$950,000

Repair Failed Outfall

Recipient: City of St. Paul Location: St. Paul, AK

Amount Requested: \$1,400,000

Repair Ketchikan Water Trestle #2

Recipient: City of Ketchikan Location: Ketchikan, AK

Amount Requested: \$10,000,000

Replace roof on Centennial Hall with an energy-efficient roof

Recipient: City & Borough of Juneau

Location: Juneau, AK

Amount Requested: \$1,000,000

Replace power distribution system in Kongiganak

Recipient: Chaninik Wind Group

Location: Kongiganak

Amount Requested: \$581,054

SE AK Integrated Energy Resource Plan Recipient: Southeast Alaska Power Agency Location: Southeast Alaska Communities

Amount Requested: \$175,000

Sitka Japonski Island Infrastructure Project Completion

Recipient: City and Borough of Sitka

Location: Sitka, AK

Amount Requested: \$7,450,000

Snettisham Avalanche Mitigation Project

Recipient: Alaska Electric Light & Power Company

Location: Juneau, AK

Amount Requested: \$16,000,000

TDX Corporation

Recipient: Hydrogen Manufacturing - Phase 2

Location: Island of St. Paul, AK Amount Requested: \$1,500,000

To proceed with Army Corps "new start" funding for construction of a boat harbor

in Haines, AK

Recipient: Haines Borough

Location: Haines, AK

Amount Requested: \$500,000

Upgrade Bethe Substation Recipient: City of Ketchikan Location: Ketchikan, AK

Amount Requested: \$5,300,000

Upgrade Electrical Distribution System in Chefornak, AK

Recipient: City of Chefornak Location: Chefornak, AK Upgrade Shungnak Bulk Fuel Storage and Power System

Recipient: NANA Development Corporation

Location: Shungnak, AK

Amount Requested: \$6,000,000

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has a pecuniary interest in any of the congressionally directed spending item(s) that I have requested, consistent with the requirements of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate. I further certify that I have posted a description of the items requested on my official website, along with the accompanying justification.

If you have any questions, please contact Liz Brinkerhoff-Nottberg of my staff at (202) 224-3004.

Sincerely,

Mark Begich

United States Senator

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